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SUPERVISOR MARCELIA NICHOLSON ANNOUNCES CALL TO ACTION REGARDING RECENT UNARMED VICTIMS OF POLICE SHOOTINGS **Black Men in Milwaukee County Are At Risk; We Must Act Now**

As a woman of color, a sister of two black men, the daughter of a black father, and a future mother, I am calling on our community to come together to stop the violence our innocent black men are experiencing at the hands of police. It is astonishing that these injustices continue to occur at the hands of those in place to protect and keep us safe.

This week, within a 36-hour timespan, two unarmed black men were gunned down by overzealous police. These premature deaths add to the already high number of unarmed black people killed this year. With each death, families and communities across the nation are thrust into mourning, rage and contempt at the repeated slaughter of their sons, brothers, and fathers.

Here at home, we have mourned over the deaths of Tony Robinson and Dontre Hamilton, and still struggle with disbelief as violence and injustice against the black community continues. We open our newspapers, turn on our TVs and cell phones just to see another black man, another name, another video, another murder swarming our headlines and news feeds. It is past time for us to demand an end to this violence and come together to find solutions that support and protect our hurting communities.

In the coming weeks, I will join elected officials and community leaders across Milwaukee County to work to end the violence this racial plague has brought into our communities. There is much work to be done, and we will only succeed by coming together, standing strong, and putting our demands for justice into action.

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